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**Minutes: Regular Meeting
March 9, 2017**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: at 7:35PM by Chairperson John Rogalo with flag salute.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE: In compliance with the New Jersey Assembly Bill no. 1030, notice for this meeting was sent to the *New Jersey Herald* and the *Daily Record* on January 12, 2017 and was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on the same day.

ROLL CALL: Present: John Rogalo, Nicole Member, Owen Newson, Michael Balogh Absent: Jason Heymer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

February 9, 2017 minutes were approved. Motion made by Mike Balogh and seconded by Nicole Member. UC

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received:

2/10/17 Greene Env. Consultants: Notification of Flood Hazard Permit/Waterloo Rd. Bridge

2/27/17 Lorraine Bender: Thank you note

2/28/17 14th Annual Clean Comm. Spring Conf. notification: 5/24-5/26

Sent:

CURRENT ACTIVITY:

New Trail Focus: It was agreed that the EC would send a letter to Mayor and Council requesting Mayor and Council approach the Lutheran Church with regard to trail easement on their property.

Clean Communities Programs: Nicole has recommended two presentations by the "Grand Falloons" for the Valley Road School at a cost of \$1450. The "Grand Falloons" perform a comedy show on littering. She also recommends an adult education program on composting by "Practical Primitive" at a cost of \$400. She suggested that this program could be presented at Family Fun Day on Sunday, July 9th. In addition, she recommends the purchase of a 10' x 10' tent for the EC, \$200 payments for volunteer groups participating at Clean Up Day, and a "Shred Day" at DPW at the cost of \$500. The EC agreed

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to Nicole's recommendations. She will submit a letter of our requests to the Council's Finance committee for approval.

2017 ANJEC Open Space grant: It was decided not to pursue a grant at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lakeside Park plantings: Mayor and Council want us to delay installation of proposed plantings until new fencing is installed at park. We may have to wait until Fall.

Furnace Pond Trails/DEP approval: No movement

Tent purchase: See Clean Communities report above.

Facebook: Topic of the Month: Nicole will submit information on Jefferson Recycling and Green Vision.

NEW BUSINESS:

Clean Communities Day: Sunday, April 23rd from 1-3PM. Rain date: April 30th. EC will focus on four areas: LVRHS trail, Trestle Park, Valley Road School, and Salmon Park. Mike will notify Jack at Bell's Mansion with regard to traditional volunteer refreshment.

BILLS:

None

LIAISON REPORTS:

Board of Health:

Mayor and Council:

Lake Musconetcong Planning Board: John reported a "Hydro-rake" will be used this year in addition to the harvester to combat weed growth.

Land Use Board:

Musconetcong Foundrymen Historical Society:

Musconetcong Sewage Authority:

Recreation Commission:

Shade Tree Commission: Nicole reported that "Sunnyside Nursery" has been deemed too expensive by Shade Tree for planting project on canal embankment in Salmon Park. Mike suggested that Shade Tree should contact "Native Fields" who might implement planting project for free.

Plaster Mill:

Water Quality:

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46PM Motion by Owen Newson and seconded by Mike Balogh (UC)

Respectfully submitted,
Owen Newson, Secretary